



WHAT CHILDREN LEARN FROM ART

FINE MOTOR SKILLS | Grasping crayons, clay, or paintbrushes helps build children's muscle control

SENSORY ENGAGEMENT | A variety of sensory art materials help children naturally explore, investigate and create, important steps in becoming creative thinkers

RISK TAKING | Providing a safe space for creating art that focuses on process instead of product gives children confidence to take risks

ART VS. CRAFT



Art:

- Child does not have to follow a plan
- Art is open ended
- Art has no adult samples to copy
- Everyone's art looks different
- The experience is relaxing

Craft:

- Craft has a planned end in sight
- All arts turns out the same
- Child experiences frustration
- Teacher often fixes "mistakes" so they all look the same



For more on ways you can help children learn by through art, visit:

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